VWAP Best Practices, Q and A, Wrap up

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Objectives

- Generate Discussion to improve regional, installation, and unit practices
- Identify problem areas
- Identify Best Practices

- End of the year reporting

VWAP – Installation Program

- The Installation VWLO ensures that victims and witnesses are receiving the proper care
- The Installation VWLO is responsible to their commander to ensure that the Installation VWAP is in compliance with Directives, Instructions, and orders
- The Installation must reach out to the tenants on their installation

VWAP Stated Goals

- Ensure that victims and witnesses receive appropriate responses and assistance from government actors
- Protect victims from further harm/hardship
- Ensure all victims are aware of their rights and are provided services they need

- Employ a multi-disciplinary approach

VWAP Access to Service

- As the VWLO ask are Services?
  - Visible? Known to the public – user friendly
  - Accessible? Physically, culturally, electronically
  - Acceptable? Friendly, knowledgeable, private, professional
  - Available? Responsive and consistent

VWAP

- Framework for success
  - Personnel are professional, informed and dedicated
  - SOPs and Turnover Procedures in place and are followed
  - Policy is up to date and reviewed often
  - Coordination that works
  - Services are wide ranging and specific enough to provide assistance to victims and witnesses

VWAP

- ***"The measure of success and quality is ultimately the degree to which a victim's need is met in the areas of safety, healing, justice and restitution (financial recovery to pre-crime level)."***

- **Vice how many DD form 2701/2/3/4's we correctly processed and reported.**

VWAP

- How can we get USMC Base VWAPs to the optimum state?
- Immediate Impact:
  - Websites: Information flows across all services and support available to the victims
  - Local training, website, posters, other media – use VWAP Council meetings
  - Local SOP/Turnover Binders for VWLOs and LOI for base VWAP reps
  - VWAP included in inspection process – CGIP, Article 6

VWAC Meeting

- When are you meeting
- Who is coming?
- Who is giving you difficulty by not attending
- Where are you meeting?
- What is happening at these meetings?

VWAP Problem Areas

- Assignment of VWLO
  - Collateral or full time duty?
  - Who should be the VWLO?
  - Turnover
- Assignment of VWACs
- Commands complying with the VWAP
- End of the year reporting

VWAP Problem Areas

- Quality of services provided to victims and witnesses
- Responsiveness to victims who are not the victims of a sexual assault

VWAP Reporting

- Reporting requirements
  - 2701-2704s – now quarterly
  - 2705 - Annually
- Double counting of 2701s
  - Training
  - Organization

VWAP – Way ahead

- How can we get USMC Base VWAPs to the optimum state?
- Mid-term:
  - Civilianize VWLO billets?
  - Ensure yearly funding for training (HQMC and Local)
- Long term:
  - *Post-process evaluation by victims/witnesses?*
  - *Study, evaluate and refine base programs*